The phone calls from inmates both in County jails and State prisons to family members out –of –state cost a fortune. They empty savings accounts and seriously stress out already stressed-out relatives trying to pay legal fees for their incarcerated loved ones. The families of prisoners have it hard enough with the tremendous stigma (please note I am filing this comment anonymously) of having a loved one in prison. The telephone expenses are a major hardship for families of incarcerated relatives. Thank you to the FCC for considering rectifying this matter!

On the other side, prisoners live in extremely difficult, stressful circumstances day in and day out. For an inmate who lives too far away for frequent visits, a phone call to a loved one in the outside world provides a lifeline. Thank you to all the people who have been working so hard to make phone calls from inmates more affordable!